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Date: Monday, Aug. 17

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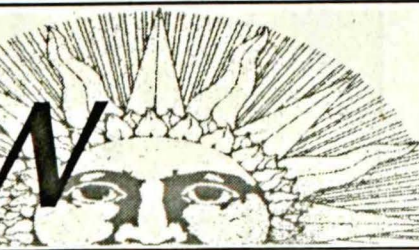
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THE LEMON GROVE REVIEW



East County all-stars go to Little League finals

by Greg Eichelberger

East County youth baseball and softball all-star teams, having survived their regional playoffs, were involved in the next level, which, if they could have won, might have led to possible national titles.

After several Little League teams dominated in the recent Tournament of Champions, the all-star squads were trying to grab a piece of that pie, too.

District 41

The Santana National seniors and the Cajon de Oro 9- and 10-year-olds, even made it to the title games of District 41.

After losing to Imperial Beach, 6-1, on July 27 in the winner's bracket final, Santana National roared back with three straight victories, including a 15-3 trouncing over I.B. on its own turf, Mar Vista High School.

This win allowed them to face the Imperials for the rubber match, which would decide the championship of the district.

Thanks to the pitching and offense of Michael Bass, the Nationals demolished I.B., 12-3, to move onto the regional event in Pasadena last Saturday.

During the loss to the South Bay team, manager David Angotti was wondering out loud just how his team, which averaged over 10 runs per All-Star contest, could go belly-up against I.B. hurler, Josh Quinones.

"We made errors and a few base running mistakes, but I always thought our offense could get us out of any trouble," he said, "but the problem was, we dug a hole so deep, we couldn't do anything about it."

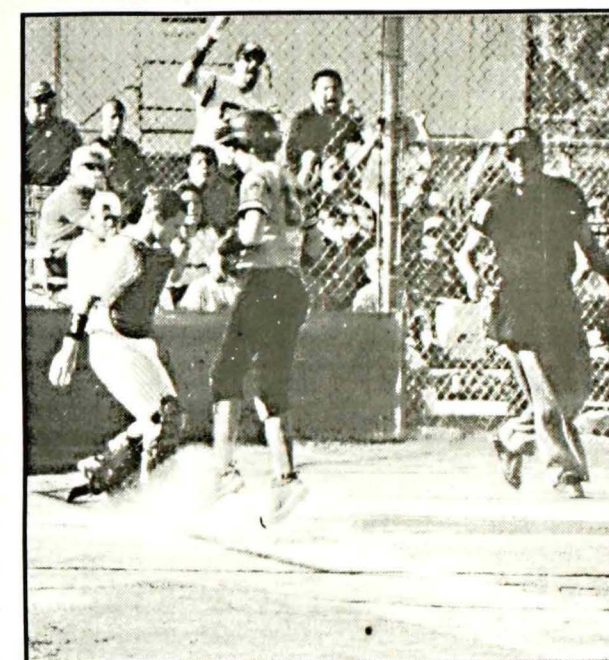
That was to be the low point of the team's local tournament experience.

The old Santana machine began to get cranked up, and when the dust had settled, Bass, who came in to throw five innings of one-hit relief and added a third inning grand slam, was the hero and Santee had won its first ever sectional championship.

"We look to him," said Angotti of Bass. "He's our workhorse. We expect him to win for us."

In Pasadena, Santee got off on the right foot by defeating Anaheim Hills, 8-7, as Bass again got the win. They fell, though, in the next two contests, 7-3, to Dunbar and, 6-0, to Westminster.

"I'm proud of what our guys did during this tournament," said coach Robert



Santee catcher Travis Hepner searches for ball as an Imperial Beach player raises a cloud of dust as he stands up from a scoring slide during a lopsided win by Santee in District 41 final at Mar Vista High School.

Photo by Greg Eichelberger

Ervin. "They played together every game and gave it their all."

As for Section 8, the Cajon de Oro boys fought through the losers bracket and defeated Oak Park (8-6), as well as Escondido National (6-5), forcing a rematch with the tough North County squad.

Jeff Taylor's RBI single

drove home the winning run as CDO came from 5-1 down to force that final game. Other offensive stars were Billy Smelko, Allan Jerman, Ryan Cole and Taylor.

Unfortunately, the next day, Escondido put its hitting shoes on and crushed Oro, 8-3, for the Section 8

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Lemon Grove Fire Log

July 24, 1998

7000 blk. University Ave. Vegetation fire.
8200 blk. Mt. Vernon St. Fall.
WB Hwy 94/Massachusetts Ave. Attempted suicide.
1100 blk. Pyramid St. Fall.
7400 blk. Pacific Ave. Medical aid.
Longdale St./Skyline Dr. Traffic accident.
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WB Hwy 94/Spring St. Fuel spill.
8200 blk. Vernier St. Overdose.

July 25, 1998

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July 26, 1998

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PUBLIC NOTICES

CITY OF LEMON GROVE

NOTICE ADVERTISING FOR PROPOSALS

Sealed proposals will be received at Lemon Grove City Hall located, 3232 Main Street, Lemon Grove, California, up to the hour of 2:00 p.m. on the 15th day of September, 1998 for performing work as follows:

FIBER OPTIC TRAFFIC SIGNAL SYSTEM INTERCONNECT ALONG COLLEGE AVENUE/FEDERAL BOULEVARD/BROADWAY (A CONGESTION MITIGATION AND AIR QUALITY PROJECT) CONTRACT NO. 98-01

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The work to be done consists of furnishing all materials, equipment, tools, supervision, labor, and incidentals required to complete the above stated project. The work consists of installing fiber optic conduit, vaults, and computer system to complete an interconnect of traffic signals on College, Federal and Broadway in the City of Lemon Grove.

A Pre-Bid Meeting for the Fiber Optic Traffic Signal System Interconnect Along College Avenue/Federal Boulevard/Broadway (A Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Project) is scheduled for September 2, 1998 at 10:00 a.m. The City will not consider change orders for failure to understand the conditions of the project if a representative of the low bidder is not present at the pre-bid meeting.

The bids received will be publicly opened and read at City Hall, 3232 Main Street, Lemon Grove, CA 91945, at the time stated above. Award shall be made by the City Council at a meeting subsequent to the date above set for the opening of bids.

This project has a goal of 17 percent disadvantaged business enterprise (DBE) participation. This project is subject to the "Buy America" provisions of the Surface Transportation Assistance Act of 1982 as amended by the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991.

The bid package may be examined at the Lemon Grove City Hall, 3232 Main Street, Lemon Grove, CA. Copies of the bid package and the specifications may be obtained by calling ScanTech, Inc. at (619) 495-0727 and picking them up at 7283-H Engineer Road, San Diego, CA 92111 for a non-refundable charge of \$20.00 per set. Full size drawings are available for \$10.00. The mailing fee is dependent on the desired method of delivery. All bidders should direct their questions during the bidding period to Carmen Kasner, John Powell & Associates, Inc. at (760) 753-1120.

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NOTE: An error on the part of an awarding body does not relieve the Contractor from responsibility for payment of the prevailing rate of per diem wages and penalties pursuant to Labor Code §§1770-1775 or Federal Labor Standards HUD-4010 and Federal Wage Decision No. CA980001, Modification No. 1.

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Date: August 7, 1998
Charles Stuck
Public Works Director,
City Engineer

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Lemon Grove Almanac

1994 Population: 25,100
Incorporated: 1977
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1996-97 city budget: \$26.3 million
1996 taxable sales: \$265 million

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Planning Director: Linda Niles

City Attorney: Gloria McLean

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July 19, 1998

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July 21, 1998

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July 22, 1998

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July 23, 1998

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3200 blk. Lemon Grove Ave. Commercial burglary. Value unknown.
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July 25, 1998

3200 blk. Lemon Grove Ave. Strong-arm robbery. \$2,500 value.
7000 blk. Broadway. Strong-arm robbery. Value unknown.

Letter to the Editor

Well, shut my mouth

I teach a course in criminology (the study of crime) at a local university (SDSU). During a recent lecture on crime and punishment, I discussed sanctions employed by the American colonists, such as the stock and pillory, brandings, dunking stools and branks.

The brank was a bird cage like device placed over the offender's head. It had a small door which, when closed, caused a sharp blade to move toward the wearer's mouth. The device was designed to punish gossips and those who spread false rumors in the community.

It was truly a punishment designed (by the American colonists) to fit the crime, teaching the offender to keep "a shut mouth and a still tongue."

One of my students then raised his hand and commented, "Maybe that would be a good punishment for journalists who report unsubstantiated rumors from anonymous sources, and then retract them the next day."

I can add nothing to that student's observations.

ROBERT W. WINSLOW, PH.D.

Professor of Sociology and Criminology

San Diego State University



No moon - good for viewing meteor shower

The interval from nightfall until moonrise will provide a "window" of very dark skies without twilight or moonlight, excellent for viewing the Perseid meteor shower if you're away from the lights of civilization. Meteors can flash into view anywhere in the sky, but members of the shower, if their paths are extended backward far enough, will streak away from an area in the northeast sky in the constellation Perseus, below the "W" of Cassiopeia. The moon, two-thirds full, rises within three hours after sunset (from northern U.S.), brightening the sky for the rest of the night, and reducing the number of faint meteors visible. The moon keeps close company with Saturn for the rest of the night, until dawn on Thursday. Low in east-northeast at dawn on Thursday, Venus and Mars have spread to 5 degrees apart.

Friday, one-and-a-half hours before sunup on Saturday, the fat crescent moon, high in east-southeast, is nearly half full. Look for the Pleiades star cluster 10 degrees to moon's upper left, and first-magnitude Aldebaran, eye of Taurus, about as far to moon's lower left. Binoculars give a fine view of the Pleiades, and also of the V-shaped hyades cluster near Aldebaran.

Saturday, one-and-a-half hours before sunup on Sunday, the moon is one-third full in east to east-southeast. Aldebaran, reddish eye of Taurus, is some 4 degrees to moon's upper right, while stars of the Hyades, forming rest of the Bull's head, lie closely above and upper right of Aldebaran.

Sunday, an hour before sunrise on Monday, between east and east-southeast, find the waning crescent moon, with Betelgeuse, shoulder of Orion, 11 degrees to its lower right.

Some 10 degrees right of Betelgeuse, look for Orion's belt, a vertical line of three stars less than 3 degrees long. Rigel, Orion's bright foot, is 9 degrees to the right of the belt.

Watch for the rising of Sirius, the Dog Star, which can be found by extending Orion's belt downward 22 degrees toward the east-southeast horizon. Procyon low in the east completes the nearly equilateral "Winter Triangle" with Betelgeuse and Sirius.

Monday, an hour before sunup on Tuesday, the waning crescent moon is nearly due east, with brilliant Venus low in east-northeast, 25 degrees to moon's lower left. Mars is between them, 8 degrees to Venus' upper right. On Tuesday morning the moon is nearly encircled by five bright objects, each 16 to 18 degrees away: In clockwise order, they are Betelgeuse to moon's right, Procyon below the moon, Mars to moon's lower left, and Pollux and Castor, the Gemini twins, to moon's left.

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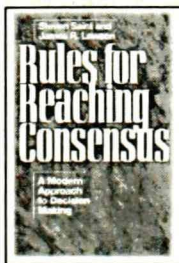
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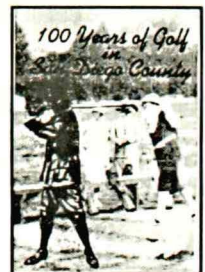
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Local duffers part of Hope for Kids Golf-a-Thon

Lakeside resident Scott Yahner and El Cajon resident Mike Hurd have signed on to help raise funds for Hope for Kids, the county's premier organization dedicated to meeting the needs of disadvantaged children.

The two will take part in the first annual Golf-a-thon and Scramble Golf Championship fund-raiser scheduled for Sunday and Monday, according to Tara Pheneger, Hope for Kids project director.

Yahner and Hurd are donning spikes for this good cause and raising contributions from friends, family, business associates and neighbors, who have pledged a "per-hole-played" donation to Hope for Kids.

The inaugural event will kickoff with an 18-hole Scramble Championship at 11 a.m. Sunday at Carmel Mountain Ranch Country Club. A 1 p.m. shotgun start will begin the competition for the best aggregate team scores.

A dinner and awards presentation will close the first day of the two-day event.

Then, beginning at 7 a.m. on Monday, 36 golfers will participate in the Hope for Kids Golf-a-thon to sink 82 holes at the Twin Oaks Golf

Course in San Marcos for a two-day total of 100 holes played for Hope.

"We're still seeking community support," Pheneger said, "So, if concerned East County neighbors want to encourage these local golfers and help children, they can still pledge a per-hole-played donation by calling our office at 587-2117."

Hope for Kids is a non-profit organization founded in 1994 as an outreach effort to increase immunization rates of children in southeast San Diego.

Today, these efforts have been broadened and expanded to include service to young victims of domestic violence and abuse at the Polinsky Center and regular visits to Nueva Vido, a Tijuana orphanage.

It also includes an annual toy drive that last year served more than 2,000 local children and a new program, Links to Learning, which teaches at-risk youth in North County how to play golf and succeed in the classroom.

The Golf-a-thon also raises donations for Hope for Children, a domestic and worldwide adoption service that assists more than 400 birth mothers each year, providing

counseling, housing, social and medical referral assistance and transportation.

Hope for Children also assists orphanages around the world through the provision of humanitarian aid, medical supplies and personal assistance.

Best known for its annual door-to-door educational effort to inform parents about the importance of childhood immunization, Hope for Kids joins forces with county health officials to canvass target areas to identify children who are under-immunized.

Last April, 1,500 volunteers met and provided information to parents of more than 70,000 San Diego children, hundreds of whom were later immunized and connected to appropriate health care providers.

According to Pheneger, Hope for Kids is the local community outreach program of HOPE worldwide, a

national, volunteer-driven organization that acts to strengthen local communities through volunteer outreach.

It provides a key partnerships that ensure that children are living healthy, productive and fulfilling lives.

The local program is one of 67 such local initiatives in 32 states and Puerto Rico. Nationally, the organization is halfway through a four-year effort to reach more than three million children by the year 2000.

When the local Hope for Kids organizational goals are complete, volunteers will have exerted 75,000 work hours to positively affect the health and lives of 175,000 children in San Diego County by 2000.

For more information about how you can support your neighbors through individual and corporate Golf-a-Thon sponsorship opportunities, contact Hope for Kids at 587-2117.

East County Recreation Department Phone numbers

Santee Community Services	258-4182
Spring Valley Parks and Recreation	479-1832
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District 33

Coming off their heartbreaking loss to San Carlos in the District 33 Tournament of Champions last month, the Rolando 1-1 and 12-year-old All-Stars put it all together and took their district crown with a 5-1 record before bowing in the sectionals two straight.

The team was coached by Brad Thompson and Satch Nickerson. Led by ace hurler Zachary Robinson and his little brother, Quincy (both sons of manager George Robinson), as well as third baseman Chris Kelly, the squad, drawn from around the La Mesa area, went 4-0 before dropping a nail-biter to the Sunshine (a league located in southeast San Diego) all-stars, 7-5.

Sunshine already had one loss, so they needed to beat Rolando twice to take the title. With Zachary Robinson tossing a four-hitter and belting a game-tying solo home run in the sixth, however, the score was 1-1 going into the seventh. That's when Andrew Harviston scored the winning run on a squeeze play bunt by Jonathan Ng.

That victory put them into the sectionals last week, where, despite their best efforts, they fell to Santee Pioneer, 4-2, and then the El Centro Sunbeams, 8-6.

"It was a very good experience working with these kids this season," said the elder Robinson, in his fifth year as skipper for the Rolando League. "We were all very comfortable with one another and the kids had a great attitude. They played like a team and that's the real challenge at their age."

The losses to Santee and El Centro were disappointing, but there would be better things in store for 12-year-old Zachary. Just days after the defeats, he headed to Minnesota where he and his San Diego Stars teammates met squads from all over the country.

The Stars, who finished this nationwide tournament in third place last year, rolled off nine straight wins, including the final contest, a stunning 24-0 blowout of the Tidewater (Virginia) Drillers.

The pitcher in that climactic affair, none other than Zachary Robinson, who closed this remarkable season by throwing a one-hitter.

Bobby Sox

On the girls Bobby Sox softball side, Santana National was again well-represented (in the early rounds, at least), as Jackie McWay (majors 9 and 10) and Alexis O'Keefe (seniors 14 - 15) tossed no-hitters for their respective teams.

McWay blanked Serra Mesa (and added two hits), 14-0, while O'Keefe stopped North Park, 11-1.

These two teams, however, lost early in the national playoffs at Buena Park, along with three groups from Lakeside.

The Valley Mesa Grays (14 and under), on the other hand, rolled off five straight wins, including victories over La Brea (8-2), Valley Mesa Green (5-3) and Los Baños (1-0), before being eliminated by La Mirada (9-30).

That run, though, gave the Grays a fifth-place finish - not just in California, but for the whole country!

With such a talent pool to choose from, it's no wonder East County coaches are anxious to begin baseball and softball season against as soon as possible.

East County boys to race in Akron's Soap Box Derby

Bradley Mastrofini and Ricky Lytle, both 13, will race this weekend in the 61st All-American Soap Box Derby to be held in Akron, Ohio.

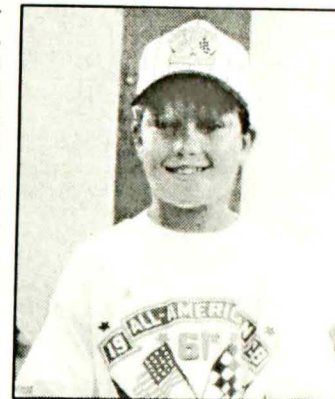
Mastrofini is among 155 boys and girls competing in the Stock Car division, which features ready-to-assemble cars for novice entrants.

Lytle is among the 47 kids, 9 through 16 years of age, competing in the Masters division. This is the most sophisticated level of racer construction.

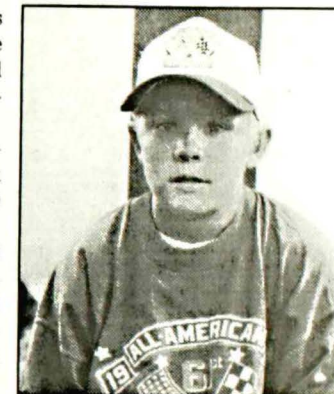
There is an intermediate Super Stock division with 100 kids competing.

A total of \$25,000 in college scholarships will be awarded to the three divisional winners in Saturday's races.

Both Mastrofini and Lytle hail from Spring Valley.



Bradley Mastrofini



Ricky Lytle

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